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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS TRAINING COURSES OFFER

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1. EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES DOES NOT PLAN TO PRESENT TO GOA
OFFER TO PRESENT CANDIDATES FOR THE IPA "POLICE MANAGEMENT WITH
NARCOTICS TRAINING NO. 7" FOR SEVERAL SPECIFIC REASONS, VIZ:

A. FROM THE OUTLINE OF THE COURSE WHICH IS GIVEN IN THE REFTEL
IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THERE IS INSUFFICIENT CONTENT RELATING
SPECIFICALLY TO NARCTOICS ENFORCEMENT AND DETECTION.

B. FEW, IF ANY, GOA MIDDLE MANAGEMENT POLICE OFFICIALS HAVE
SUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH TO UNDERTAKE AN INTENSIFIED
STUDY COURSE IN THAT LANGUAGE.

C. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM EXPERIENCE THAT THE GOA POLICE BUDGET
IS TOO INFLEXIBLE TO MEET THE AIRFARE COSTS ON SHORT NOTICE
FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE POLICE OFFICERS.

2. FURTHER, GENERALLY SPEAKING, THE ARGENTINIAN POLICE ARE
FAIRLY COMPETENT IN SUCH MATTERS AS POLICE ORGANIZATION AND
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MANAGEMENT AND WE QUESTION WHETHER IPA COURSES OF SUCH A GENERAL

NATURE WARRANT PERSONNEL TIME AND COSTS TO THE GOA. ALSO, AS A GENERAL BUT NOT INFLEXIBLE RULE, IT IS THE EMBASSY'S POLICY NOT TO BECOME INVOLVED IN TRAINING OF POLICE, OTHER THAN FOR NARCOTICS.

3. WE WOULD CONTINUE, HOWEVER, TO WELCOME OPPORTUNITIES TO SEND QUALIFIED CANDIDATES TO SPANISH LANGUAGE COURSES ON NARCOTICS. SHOULD AIRFARE BE MET BY THE USG WE BELIEVE THAT THE GOA WOULD CONTINUE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SUCH COURSES TO UPGRADE ITS NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIVE CAPABILITY.
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